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Dear Commissioner:

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My name is Marc Cooke and I reside at 3427 Rome Lane in Stevensville. I have noticed with some anger that my taxes are forever on the increase. However I am seeing the demise in the quality and quantity of services that Ravalli County, especially the Road Department is providing. I list four examples that come to mind.

This entire growing season and to the present time the grass along both sides of the Middle Burnt Fork have not been cut unless a private owner did it. In the past this has been accomplished. I am sure many animal related accidents might have been avoided had this been accomplished.

The dirt section of the Middle Burnt Fork is ridiculously in need of maintenance or resurfacing.

The County recently resurfaced a section of the lower Middle Burnt Fork. This stretch of road is in my opinion worse then before. I hope you did not pay to have this done. The Road Department resurfaced it. I have never seen such a poor job done. I invite you to take the time and travel down this road. I am sure you will see that what I have listed is true.

In the winter time I think that I have seen a plow maybe twice in the five years I have lived here.

I make an earnest effort to pay my taxes on time. It is the correct thing to do. However I feel that the County is taking advantage of us by taxing us and providing a declining or poor quality service.

I look forward to your reply concerning all the issues that I have mentioned above.

Sincerely,



Marc Cooke